

Appl. No. : 10/796,298  
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### REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the communication, Applicant elects to prosecute Group I, Claims 1, 3-38, 73-75, and 77-93, drawn to a method of high throughput quantification of a specific mRNA in whole blood and a method of determining a definite quantity of target mRNA in a blood sample.

Furthermore, within Group I, the Examiner has identified three different groups of species. Applicant elects: (a) centrifugation as the method for transfer of lysate to the oligo(dT)-immobilized plate; (b) cytokines as the quantified mRNA; and (c) quantification of apoptosis genes involved in leukemia. Claims readable on these species are 1, 3-12, 15, 27-29, 34-38, 73-75, 77-88, and 91-93.


These elections are made without traverse.

Withdrawn claim 66 has been amended to properly set forth the claim dependency. No new matter has been added thereby.

No fees are believed due for the present Amendment. However, should any fees be due, please charge them to our deposit account, No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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